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SUBJ: OPANAL DEMARCHE ON PANAMA CANAL ISSUE

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1. DURING A CALL ON THE AMBASSADOR ON AUGUST 1, DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL OF OPANAL, ANTONIO GONZALEZ DE LEON, RAISED THE ISSUE OF PANAMA'S INABILITY TO MAKE THE TREATY-REQUIRED DECLARATION THAT NO ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED UNDER THE TREATY OF TLATELOLCO HAVE OCCURED WITHIN THE CANAL ZONE. PANAMA NOTED THIS INABILITY IN ITS DECLARATION OF JULY 3 COVERING THE REST OF ITS TERRITORY AND REQUESTED THE COOPERATION OF OPANAL IN OBTAINING FROM THE USG A "CLEAR AND PRECISE" ASSURANCE THAT NO ACTIVITIES HAVE OR ARE TAKING PLACE IN THE CANAL ZONE IN VIOLATION OF THE TREATY.

2. IN HIS LETTER OF JULY 29 (DELIVERED DURING CALL)
TO THE AMBASSADOR, GONZALEZ DE LEON TOOK THE LIBERTY OF
SUGGESTING A USG RESPONSE "SOMEWHERE ALONG THE LINES
FOLLOWED IN AUGUST, 1973", (REFTEL) COVERING PERIOD
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JUNE 7, 1973, TO DATE OF NOTIFICATION. HE SAID HE

BELIEVES THIS WILL BE ACCEPTABLE TO OPANAL DESPITE PANAMA'S CALL FOR MORE SPECIFIC ASSURANCES.

- 3. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPT. INSTRUCTIONS FOR A REPLY TO OPANAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
- 4. COPY OF GONZALEZ DE LEON'S LETTER OF JULY 29 TO THE AMBASSADOR AIR POUCHED TO ARA/MEX. JOVA

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